

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method of playing a wagering game, comprising:

placing a first multiple part wager to participate in a first poker-type game;

5 optionally placing a side bet wager to participate in a second poker-type game played against a pay table;

dealing a partial hand for the first poker-type game consisting of multiple cards to each player who placed a first wager, the partial hand for the first poker-type game being a complete hand for the second poker-type game;

10 providing community cards to complete partial hands in the first poker-type game; and

resolving each player's multiple part wager according to the rules of the first poker-type game and resolving the second poker-type wager according to a predetermined hierarchy of poker hands in a pay table.

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2. The method of claim 1 wherein a payout is made to the player on the side bet wager in the second poker-type game for one of a plurality of predetermined winning outcomes.

20 3. The method of claim 2 wherein the rules of the first poker-type game allow at least partial withdrawal of a part of the multiple part wager before a first community card is disclosed to the player, with the player remaining in play in the first poker-type game.

4. The method of claim 3 wherein the partial hand is exactly three cards, and a complete hand in the first poker-type game is five cards.

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5. The method of claim 4 wherein the first part multiple wager and the side bet wager are resolved according to a first pay table on the multiple part wager and a second pay table on the optional side bet wager.

6. The method of claim 1 wherein the player is dealt a three-card partial hand, there are two community cards, and the optional side bet wager is against a pay table for three-card poker.
- 5 7. The method of claim 6 wherein the player must make at least a three-part multiple part wager, the two community cards are placed face down, and the player may remove one part of the at least three part wager before each community card is revealed from a face down position.
- 10 8. The method of claim 6 wherein the game is a casino table card game.
9. The method of claim 6 wherein the game is an electronic video wagering game.
10. The method of claim 1 wherein each part of the multiple-part wager must be equal to
15 other parts of the multiple-part wager.
11. The method of claim 2 wherein each part of the multiple-part wager must be equal to other parts of the multiple-part wager.
- 20 12. The method of claim 3 wherein each part of the multiple-part wager must be equal to other parts of the multiple-part wager.
13. The method of claim 4 wherein each part of the multiple-part wager must be equal to other parts of the multiple-part wager.
- 25 14. The method of claim 5 wherein each part of the multiple-part wager must be equal to other parts of the multiple-part wager.

15. The method of claim 6 wherein each part of the multiple-part wager must be equal to other parts of the multiple-part wager.

5 16. The method of claim 7 wherein each part of the multiple-part wager must be equal to other parts of the multiple-part wager.

10 17. The method of claim 6 wherein community cards are revealed one community card at a time, and each player is given an opportunity to withdraw one part of the multiple part wager before each community card is revealed.

15 18. A method of playing a live casino table card game with physical cards comprising:
 placing a multiple part wager to participate in a casino wagering first poker game against a pay table in which a partial hand of at least two cards is first dealt and later completed for each player;
 placing an optional single part wager to play a second poker-type game against a pay table using all cards in each player's partial hand;
 dealing a partial hand of cards to each player;
 providing additional cards to complete each player's hand; and
 resolving each player's wagers in the first poker game and the second poker-type game against two different pay tables.

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25 19. The method of claim 16 wherein at least some payouts proportional to the optional single part wager are available in resolving hands for obtaining a predetermined rank of a hand.

20. The method of claim 16 comprising placing a three part wager as the multiple part wager in the first poker game and receiving three cards as the partial hand.

21. The method of claim 18 wherein the partial hand of a player is completed with at least two community cards.

5 22. The method of claim 19 wherein proportional payouts for the optional side bet wager include possible payouts of between at least 1 to 1 and 100 to 1 against the optional single part wager.

23. The method of claim 20 wherein the proportional payouts include at least two possible payouts of at least 10 to 1.

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24. The method of claim 18 where community cards are provided.

25. The method of claim 18 where additional cards are dealt to each hand.